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#### Notice of Recount for the Office of

### State Senator of the 31st State Senate District

DATE:

November 9, 2010

TO:

All candidates on the ballot for the office of State Senator of the 31st State

Senate District

FROM:

Government Accountability Board

**SUBJECT:** 

Recount of the Votes Cast for the Office of State Senator of the 31<sup>st</sup> State

Senate District—General Election

A recount of the votes cast at the November 2, 2010 General Election for the office of State Senator of the 31<sup>st</sup> State Senate District will begin at the times and locations set forth below:

**Buffalo County** – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at the County Office, County Board Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 407 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Alma, WI 54610.

Clark County – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at the County Office, Room 301, 517 Court Street, Neilsville, WI 54456.

**Jackson County** – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at the County Courthouse, County Board Room, 307 Main Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615.

**Monroe County** – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at the County Office, 202 South K Street, Sparta, WI 54656.

**Trempealeau County** – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at the County Office, Tremplo Room, 36245 Main Street, Whitehall, WI 54773.

**Dunn County** – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at 800 Wilson Avenue, Room 147, Menomonie, WI 54751.

Pierce County – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at the Pierce County Courthouse, County Board Room, 414 W. Main Street, Ellsworth, WI 54011.

**Pepin County** – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, 2010 at the County Office, 740 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, Durand, WI 54736.

Eau Claire County – 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 17, 2010 at Town of Washington Municipal Complex, 5750 Old Town Hall Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

A copy of the recount petition is attached. This notice is given pursuant to s. 9.01(2), Wis. Stats.

A portion of Eau Claire County is subject to recounts of the 68<sup>th</sup> and 93<sup>rd</sup> Assembly Districts, said recounts of the 68<sup>th</sup> and 93<sup>rd</sup> Assembly Districts are to be completed (excluding military and overseas ballots as addressed in two paragraphs below) prior to conducting the recount for the 31<sup>st</sup> Senate District. The Eau Claire County Board of Canvassers may convene and adjourn the recount for the 31<sup>st</sup> Senate District as needed to complete the recounts of the 68<sup>th</sup> and 93<sup>rd</sup> Assembly Districts.

A portion of Dunn, Pierce and Pepin Counties are subject to a recount of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District, said recount of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District is to be completed (excluding military and overseas ballots as addressed in the next paragraph below) prior to conducting the recount for the 31<sup>st</sup> Senate District. The Dunn, Pierce and Pepin County Boards of Canvassers may convene and adjourn the recount for the 31<sup>st</sup> Senate District as needed to complete the recount of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District.

If any county has outstanding military or overseas ballots, this recount and the recount canvass shall not be complete until after the military and overseas canvass. As necessary, this recount shall adjourn and reconvene following the military and overseas canvass to provide for consideration of said ballots and finalization of the recount canvass.

You have the right to be present and to be represented by counsel to observe and challenge the votes cast and the board of canvassers' decisions at the election.

#### Attachment

cc: Eau Claire County Clerk
Dunn County Clerk
Pierce County Clerk
Pepin County Clerk
Buffalo County Clerk
Clark County Clerk
Jackson County Clerk
Monroe County Clerk
Trempealeau County Clerk

## HAND DELIVERED

# RECOUNT PETITION

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In Re: The Election for State Senator

in Senate District 31

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Verified Petition for recount

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Petitioner Ed Thompson alleges and shows to the Government Accountability Board:

- 1. The Petitioner was a candidate for the office of State Senator in the General Election held on November 2, 2010;
- 2. That Petitioner is informed and believes that mistakes have been committed in Senate District 31 in the counting and return of votes cast for the office of State Senator; and
- 3. That Petitioner is informed and believes that:

Errors were made in tabulations as vote totals changed significantly from election night to canvassing, absentee ballots from military personnel may not have been properly counted, and other mistakes may have been made in precincts that lost touch with county clerks early in the morning of November 3, 2010, before turning ballots in.

Wherefore: Petitioner requests a recount of Senate District 31.

Dated this ninth day of November, 2010.

Petitioner

I, Ed Thompson, being first duly sworn, on oath, state that the matters contained in the above petition are known to me to be true except for those allegations stated on information and belief, which I believe to be true.

Petitioner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ninth day of November, 2010.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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